

Remarks

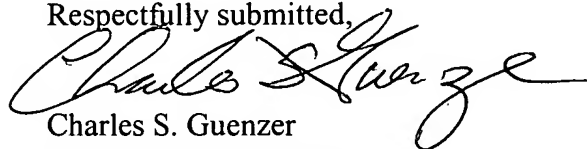
Claims 1 – 10 remain in the application.

The claim amendments are based upon the amended claims submitted under PCT Article 19. The present amendments are intended to remove the multiply multiple-dependencies not allowed in US practice and to allow proper calculation of fees. The amendments also perform some editing to conform to US usage.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, early consideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would be helpful, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number, which is on California time.

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